1915 IN HISTORY--A YEAR OF WAR AND DISASTER---LONG LIST OF FAMOUS DEAD--GREAT GIFTS

Staggering Events Form Record of Real Horror

Swift Sequence of Disasters Overshadowing One Another, When Summarized, Appals by the Toll of Death, Every Walk in Life Suffering.

IMPRESSIVE CHRONICLE OF CHARITY OFFSET

Constantine Makovsky, artist, Petro-grad; November 9, Edward S, Willard, actor, England; November 14, Booker

actor. England; November 14, Booker T. Washington, principal of Tuskegee Institute; November 17, Theodore Les-chetitsky, planist and teacher, Vienna; December 1, Austin Hegner, cellist, New

Many in Political World.

Francis M. Cockrell, Missourl.

December 10. Stephen Phillips

It is impossible to look over the year 1915 without a sense of dismay, even of horror. Since time began there has never been such a chronicle of misery and misfortune, such a staggering procession of dreadful occurrences. There is not a person anywhere in the world, surely, who will not feel thankful that the twelve months of evil have gone irrevocably, and who will not be stirred by the hope that the new year will bring in its train peace, prosperity and a saner, better ordering of human affairs.

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Cur own country escaped the more terrible manifestation of the year—war, with its toll of human life and its wasting of national resources—and because of its great good fortune received no small part of the prosperity that war drained from the warring countries. But a rapid survey of happenings in the United States, the enormous total of deaths and disasters and exhibitions of human frailty merely support the general conclusion that 1915 was a dismal period, one that the fates can scarcely have the hardihood to duplicate.

Poorten Schwartz (Maarten Maartens), novelist, Holland; August 6, Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy, ex-Secretary of the United States Navy; August 14, John W. Harper, publisher, New York; August 120, Heinrich W. Mesdag, artist, Holland; August 28, John D. Long, ex-Secretary of the United States Navy; September 2, Anthony Comstock, secretary of the Society for the Suppression of Vice, New York; September 26, James Keir Hardie, English Labor party leader; October 11, Henri Pabre, entomologist, Paris; October 23, Constantine Makovsky, artist, Petro-

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Life is so complex in a nation of 100,000,000, events come so swiftly and so
confusingly that probably most persons
never realize until the very end of the
year and at the summing up time what
blows death has struck; what destruction of life and property has been caused
by the uncertainties of travel; how inceasantly active the fire demon has been;
what notable advances have been made in the arts, the inventions and in bust-ness and commercial life. Day by day these things appeared in the news, but one by one they were blotted out and

October—Tenement house fire, New York, S; mine explosion, Butte, Mon., 15; factory fire, Pittsburg, 13; St. John school fire, Peabody, Mass., 21.

November—Tenement house fire, Brooklyn, 12; factory fire, Williamsburg, 13; cyclone, Great Bend, Kun., 12; storm on the great lakes, 13; explosion at the du Pont powder mills, Wilmington, Del., 20; mine explosion, Boomer, W. Va., 15.

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Among those whose names death struck from the navy rolls of various

countries were Rear Admiral Henry L. Howison, U. S. N., retired; Rear Admiral W. R. S. Mackenzie, U. S. N., retired; Vice-Admiral Onofre Petherde, Argentina: Rear Admiral Victor A. Argentina: Rear Admiral Victor A. Conn.: Sir Arthur W. Rucker, scienMontague, England: Major-Gen. Charles
Haywood, U. S. M. C., retired; Rear
Admiral M. C. Brennan, U. S. N., retired: Capt. Otto von Weddigen, Germany: Rear Admiral Louis du Foueret,
France; Admiral Aubert, France; Rear
Admiral Stephen Rand, U. S. N., retired:
Gross, criminologist, Vienna. Rear Admiral T. S. Thompson, U. S. N., retired; Rear Admiral James MacQueen Forsythe, U. S. N., retired; Rear Ad-miral John McCowen, U. S. N., retired; Bear Admiral Alexander McCormick, U. S. N., retired; Vice-Admiral von Spee, Germany; Vice-Admiral Sir Christopher Craddock, England; Prince Wiamienski, Russia; Rear Admiral Henry Lan-ney, U. S. N., retired; Rear Admiral Thomas N. Phelps, U. S. N., retired; Admiral Teen Ju Chung, Chinese n. Rear Admiral Nicoll Ludlow, U. S.

law the following died last year: Augustus C. Brown, New York; Fed-eral Judge Smith McPherson, Des Moines; Federal Judge James L. Mar-

Milliam M. Kavanagh, ex-U. S. Senator. S. Arkansas: Thomas H. Bard, ex-U. S. Senator. California; Thomas E. Seroggy, Ohio; James O'Donnell, Michigan; William J. Hynes, Arkansas: William H. Jackson. Maryland; N. W. Aldrich, Rhode Island; John M. Fatson, North Carolina; Charles E. Littlefield, Maine; John F. King, Georgia; G. A. Bagley, New York; Harvey B. Ferzuson, New Mexico; William S. Cowherd, Missouri; Thomas J. Jarvis, North Carolina; George D. McCreary, Pennsylvania; John C. Black, Illinois; Thomas B. Cabanise, Georgia; Benson Wood, Illinois; John D. Long, Massachusetts; Joseph E. Washington, Tennessee; C. C. Matson, Indiana; William Sprague, Rhode Island; George Spalding, Michigan; John H. Baker, Indiana; John W. Stewart, Vermont; Frank B. Posey, Indiana; Julius Caesar Burroughs, Michigan; Francis M. Cockrell, Missouri. New York; Brismans S. Clouston, authority on mental diseases, Edinburgh; Charles E. Hazeltine, art critic, Philabr. Solventian Charles New York; Dr. Francis Delafield, New York: Dr. Charles F. Becker, New York; Dr. William Noyes, Hoston; Dr. John H. Huddleston, New York; Dr. Edward

Among royalty and nobility were the Marquis of Londonderry, Lord William Seymour, Lord Garagh, Count Joseph de Beaufort, France; Djemil Sultane, a sister of the Sultan of Turkey; Earl Cadogan, Prince Burhan Eddin of Turkey, the Archduke and Archdukeand. Many men well known in the com-mercial world died in the year just closed. Familiar names in the list are Edwin Morton, first president of the sister of the Sultan of Turkey; Earl Cadogan, Prince Burhan Eddin of Turkey, the Archduke and Archduchess Ferdinand of Austria, Count Sergius Witte, Russia; Prince Ernest d'Aren-Edwin Morton, first president of the American Can Company; Sidney B. Leggitt, secretary of the Pennsylvania Railroad lines, Pittsburg; R. A. Campbell, financier, Providence; L. V. Harkness, third vice-president of the Standard Oil Company; Henry Seligman, retired banker, New York; Henry Doherty, silk manufacturer, Paterson, N. L. Norman, N. L. Sorman, N. L. Sorman berg, France; the Duke de Montmo-rency, France; Lord Rothschild, Baron Herbert de Reuter, England; the The figure of the control of the con Herbert de Reuter, England; the Countess of Cardigan, the Earl of Jer-sey, Count Rene Divonne, France; Baron Ernest von Saalfeld, Germany; Prince Camille Rospiglioso, Italy; the

Charles Louis Tremeau, formerly commander of the French army; Major-Gen. Von Sydewitz. Gernány; Brig.-Gen. Bullantin Sharp, zoologist, Boston; Lavien Carr. Peshody Museum, Harvard; Julian Hasler, England; Hig.-Gen. How on Seldewitz, Gen. Hugo von coveror of diphtheria antitoxin and of salvarsan, Germany; Prof. John H. Van salvarsan, Germany; Prof. John H. Van Amringe, dean of Columbia University, New York; Anthony Comstock, New York; Prof. Charles W. Wing, Boston; Henri Fabre, entomologist, Paris; Dr. Henri Fabre, entomologist, Paris; Dr. Thomas Hunter, educator, New York; Andrew Ferrard, chemist, Hartford, Conn.; Sir Arthur W. Rucker, scien-

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Many making distances between the services and constrained life. In by the dark part list of the part list o Amile Seafren, ex-Premier of Fraises, Page 10 and on January 30 also a storm kelled and on January 30 also a storm kelled seven at Grand Rapids. Other loss of life in disasters is recorded as follows:

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tive. Probably the best known artist whose life came to an end last year was Karl Goldmark, the composer, who died Among others were Jeanne GervilleReache, prima donna, New York; Chevalier Ernest de Munck, 'cellist, London:

Hung, New York's Chinatown: Charles Becker, New York; Joseph Hillstrom.
Salt Lake City.
The record of financial dishonesty in

executions showing 19. In California 14 were executed. In Georgia 10 paid the penalty. Among the most notorious cases were those of Lee Dock and Eng

1915 runs very close to that of 1914— \$13,426,203 for the former, \$13,051,230

beth Thompson, bequeathed to charity, \$3,250,000; June. George D. Barnard, be-queathed to Barnard College, \$2,000,000; August. Gordon McKay, bequeathed to Massachusetts Polytechnic Institute, \$5,lives in 1915 was 331, but 189 of these were killed in the war and 142 were killed in the war and 142 were killed by accident. The number of injured was only 54 in 1915 as compared with 139 in 1914. In the United States the following were killed: Lincoln Beachy, at San Francisco; Frank Stite, Universal City, Cal.; Cecil M. Pecli, College Park, Md.: Ensign Melville M. Stolz, Pensacola, Fla.; Frederick Roda, Cleveland; George L. Newberry, Troy, N. Y.; George H. Henshey, Quincy, Mass.; William D. Ely, Quincy, Mass.; William D. Ely, Quincy, Mass.; 260,000; December, Andrew Freedman bequeathed to charity, \$2,500,000.

Turning from the massive columns of figures which offer statistics of death Mass.; William D. Ely, Quincy, Mass.; 250,000; December, Andrew Freedman lost and untold treasure spent; war has called the depths of Africa and proposed the depths of Africa a

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Rye	41,000,000 \$7,000,000	١
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Year 1915 Saw Disasters for the Entente Powers

Serbia Crushed, Her Allies Being Too Late-Russia's Victories Followed by Defeat and Invasion-Britain Failed at the Dardanelles.

SUBMARINE ISSUE INVOLVED PEACE OF U.S.

has been recorded a series of events whose portentous effects will scarcely more nations have been brought into the gignnitic upheaval of the Old World: battles of the western front was that following the German drive at the British lines northeast of Ypres which was failure of two great enterprises; hundreds of thousands of lives have been dreds of thousands of lives have been time asphyxiating gases were used by lost and untold treasure spent; war has the Teutons as a preparation for the

back, forcing them to abandon the line of the Bulgars. King Ferof the Dniester, while the Austrians redinand, to their side. The London and
captured Lemberg on June 22 and the
Germans occupied Halicz, hurling the
Greece and Serbia to satisfy the BulRussians eastward to the Gnila Lipa line.

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Were lost in futile negotiations.

Among the notatile movements of the year was the application of diversified farming principles in the Southern mans on July 14 and a new German offensive in the region of Riga was the expense of cotton. This made the South more independent of the grain growing sections and brought excellent monetary returns.

Sharp Rise in Prices.

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Jan. 1, 1915—H. M. S. Formidable sunk by a German submarine in the Channel.

Dec. 31, 1915—H. M. S. Natal sunk in port by an explosion.

Between those two dates, marked thus by vital blows at the most formidable the most formidable as nower the world has ever seen, there the French announced that they had driven the Germans out of the last rethat Hartmannswelllerkopf was secured

begun on April 22.

the hands of the Teutons. On June 3 berself, Bulgaria had seen her spoils taken from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien not have a making headway. The formal from the french front and launched a mighty army against the Russian lines an iPoland and as far north as the Ballst coast. After momentary checks the Germans drove the Russians steadily back, forcing them to abandon the line of the Dniester, while the Austrians redinand, to their side. The London and finding the first polarity of the Bulgaria had seen her spoils taken from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies, Greece and Sersien from Turkey fall into the hands of her quondam allies.

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Incessant rains delayed harvesting of winter wheat and caused great delay in marketing. There was a sensational rise in prices in September. The demand for spring wheat was the most insistent even known. Foreign Governments or ganized their buying machinery there known. Foreign Governments or oughly, and haphazard methods and speculation were discouraged. The Canadian Government took a hand in the situation by commandeering large supplies of wheat in the elevators at Port Arthur and Fort William.

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Of fortresses on the Naiew, and Lubling Mackensen broke through the Lubling Cholm line at Krasnostaw. On July 18 the Russians before Warsaw fell into the hands of the Bulgars within a few days, and Nish, the war capital of the kingdom, was occupied by a combined German and Bulgar force on November 5. The scattered Serb army was driven over the historic Kossovo Plain into the mountains of Albania and Montenegro. With the invasion of Albania and Montenegro. With the invasion of Serbia came the old Polish capital.

Disaster after disaster to the Russians followed in quick succession. On August 1 Warsaw fell. On August 5 It wangorod shared its fate. By August 15 the Germans were sixty miles east to join the Serbs before they were driven from their country. Greece had refused to carry out the terms of her from their country. Wave forced to take the matter